

Amendments to the specification, with markings to show changes made:

Please replace the paragraph at page 32, lines 2-9 under the section titled “ABSTRACT,” with the following amended paragraph, marked to show the changes made:

5 The current invention provides a system for distributing content data to user locations. The content data ~~[[is]]~~ preferably ~~comprises~~ includes digital video data that is available on demand ~~form~~ from a requesting location. A system server stores user accounts and generates customized program schedules for the user account based on user criteria which includes user preferences. Authorized users access their accounts to modify user criteria and to select program
10 transmissions. Preferably, a computer and a television set receive program transmissions from a system network, wherein the computer provides a logical interface between the television set and content data transmitted over the system network.

Please replace the paragraph at pages 2, lines 18 and page 3, lines 1-4 with the following amended paragraph, marked to show the changes made:

15 Accordingly, the invention is directed to an architecture and system for and a method of distributing content data to user locations. Preferably, the content data comprises program data from one or more content providers. The programs can be scheduled programs and/or stored video programs. The content data is preferably distributed to user locations as data transmissions
20 which can be played or viewed at user locations. The program transmissions are preferably transmitted to the user locations by a system network or, alternately, can be selectively broadcast by wireless means to user locations.

Please replace the paragraphs at page 3, lines 15-20 and page 4, lines 1-3 with the following amended paragraph, marked to show the changes made:

25 The preferred ~~the~~ system of the instant invention comprises a network for customized cataloging of content data availabilities into program schedules. A system network comprises the internet, a private pay-to-use network, a local network, a cable network, a commercial broadcast network or any combination thereof. A system server is coupled to the system network
30 and stores a program schedule and user codes for each user account on the system server. The system server preferably catalogs content data availabilities into program schedules based on the user codes. Preferably, the user codes comprise a set or list of user preferences for each account,

wherein user preferences can be submitted to the system server when an account is established on the system server.

Please replace the paragraphs at page 9, lines 12-17 with the following amended paragraph, marked to show the changes made:

Figure 2 shows an architecture 200 for distributing content data to multiple devices 201 and 202 from multiple content providers 211, 213 and 215. The content providers 211 and 213 transmit content data to devices ~~210~~ 201 and 202 through a network 203. The network ~~201~~ 203 is preferably a private pay-for-use network or, alternatively, is a public network, such as the internet. The devices 210 and 202 preferably have receivers for receiving content data and displays for displaying processed or unprocessed content data received at a user location.

Please replace the paragraphs at page 11, lines 8-15 with the following amended paragraph, marked to show the changes made:

In an alternative embodiment of the instant invention, program schedules are assigned to or belong to the devices 401 and 402, wherein programs are automatically transmitted to devices ~~410~~ 401 and 402 according to the programs schedule assigned to the devices. Accordingly, a user sets up a list of preferences for each device 401 and 402 and program transmissions which are receivable at each of the device 401 and 402 as determined by program schedule generated for each device 401 or 402. Preferably, the servers 407 and 411 are responsible for controlling the authorization of the device 401 and 402 to receive a program transmission from the providers 412 and 415.

Please replace the paragraphs at page 16, lines 17-20 and page 17, line 1 with the following amended paragraph, marked to show the changes made:

In the event that the billing server 807 successfully bills the user for the program section, then the billing ~~serve~~ r807 server 807 communicates to the directory serve 808 that the selection has been accepted. The directory server 808 then communicates the selection to media transport system 809 and tells the media transport system 809 to authorized streaming of the content data, which is preferably digital video content data.

Please replace the paragraphs at page 21, lines 2-7 with the following amended paragraph, marked to show the changes made:

5 In other cases, the user can watch a direct video program on the viewing device 25, wherein the video data is arriving on the video card ~~from~~ from a video input connector 14 or through an antenna input connector 21 from a television tuner logic 17. Accordingly, a user request arrives from the control device 12 and the content data is routed through the display logic ~~119~~ 19 and then to the video output connector 23 to be displayed on the viewing device 25. In this example, the computer ~~900~~ 910 does not process the video data.